

REMARKS

Claim 1 calls for controlling management data storage by a client, based on information included in a message received on the client from a server.

To meet this element, the cited reference to Birdwell is applied and, particularly, column 6 thereof. However, nothing in any message sent from server to client in Birdwell controls data storage.

For example, the office action, on page 3, indicates that columns 5 and 6 of Birdwell instruct the clients how to receive certain announcements or to configure themselves to receive certain announcements or broadcasts based on information in the announcement message. However, configuring oneself to receive a message has nothing whatsoever to do with managing data storage. For example, a television receiver may be configured to receive satellite broadcasts, but that configuration has nothing to do with how data is stored on the system.

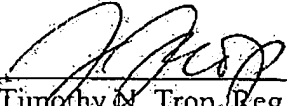
Therefore, reconsideration of claim 1, its dependent claims, and the other claims pending in the application is respectfully requested.

Claims 24-30 were allowed.

Respectfully submitted,

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